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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The current invention considers the spectrum as a multi-
modal distribution over a list of structures containing the
wavelength as the main entry and the other information
mentioned above in the list as additional entries. Each line
is then given a probability of contributing to the spectral
line. In the case of multiple spectral lines, inference between
spectral lines and their respective levels of confidence will
provide a complete picture of the list of probable emitters
with a probability factor for each line in order to provide a
quantitative assignment of the spectral lines and profiling for
a given spectrum.

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